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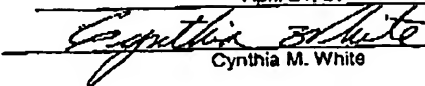
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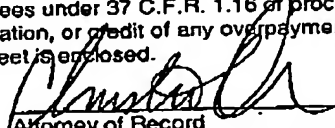
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Responsive to the Final Office Action mailed February 24, 2005, Applicants submit
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